

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

March 25, 2013

5:30 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Robert Peay
Commissioner Jeff Phillips
Commissioner Tiffany Phillips
Commissioner Doug Shafer
Commissioner Robert Stevens
Commissioner Matt Young
Commissioner Gary Farley, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess Mary Schneider
Jeff Davidson Larry Farley
Monique Tillage Angela Cotter
Joe Russell Dan Goode
Michael Gregory Mike Nunley
Melanie Meshotto David Bragg
Tim Hooker Chris Clark
Robert Arnold Lynn Duke
Sonya Stephenson Nancy Loyd
Bernard Salandy Becky Shelton

Chairman Farley presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with five members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner J. Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Young, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

PAWS REPORT:

Michael Gregory presented the PAWS report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner T. Phillips, to approve the PAWS report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Gregory next presented a proposed budget amendment of \$15,000 from Account #101-55120-164 (Attendants) and \$250 from Account #101-55120-186 (Longevity) with \$10,000 to Account #101-55120-169 (Part-Time Personnel) and \$5,250 to Account #101-55120-187 (Overtime Pay) to provide sufficient funding for the part-time personnel and overtime pay to complete the fiscal year. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips, to approve the budget amendment of \$15,000 from Account #101-55120-164 (Attendants) and \$250 from Account #101-55120-186 (Longevity) with \$10,000 to Account #101-55120-169 (Part-Time Personnel) and \$5,250 to Account #101-55120-187 (Overtime Pay). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY REPORT:

Tim Hooker presented the Emergency Management Agency report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, to approve the Emergency Management Agency report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

COUNTY FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT:

Larry Farley presented the County Fire/Rescue report for the use and information of the Committee advising he has met with David Kline regarding changes in the plans for Station 3 and he was please with the revisions. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, to approve the County Fire/Rescue Department report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Farley next presented a proposed budget amendment of \$425 increase to Account #101-44570 (Fire) and Account #101-54320-499 (Other Supplies and Materials) to appropriate donations received by the department for supplies and materials. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips to approve the budget amendment of \$425 increase to Account #101-44570 (Fire) and Account #101-54320-499 (Other Supplies and Materials). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

CORRECTIONAL WORK CENTER REPORT:

Bernard Salandy presented the Correctional Work Center report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner J. Phillips moved, seconded by Commissioner Peay, to approve the Correctional Work Center report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Salandy next presented a proposed budget amendment of \$26,050 from Account #101-54220-399 (Other Contracted Services) with \$3,000 to Account #101-54220-196 (In-Service Training), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-335 (Maint/Repair Buildings), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-336 (Maint/Repairs Equipment), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-431 (Law Enforcement Supplies), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-499 (Other Supplies/Materials), \$3,000 to Account #101-54220-435 (Office Supplies) and \$50 to Account #101-54220-320 (Dues/Memberships) to provide sufficient funding to complete the fiscal year. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Shafer, to approve the budget amendment of \$26,050 from Account #101-54220-399 (Other Contracted Services) with \$3,000 to Account #101-54220-196 (In-Service Training), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-335 (Maint/Repair Buildings), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-336 (Maint/Repairs Equipment), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-431 (Law Enforcement Supplies), \$5,000 to Account #101-54220-499 (Other Supplies/Materials), \$3,000 to Account #101-54220-435 (Office Supplies) and \$50 to Account #101-54220-320 (Dues/Memberships). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

OSHA REPORT:

Dan Goode presented the OSHA report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner T. Phillips, to approve the OSHA report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE REPORT:

Monique Tillage presented the Domestic Violence report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Shafer moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips to approve the Domestic Violence report as submitted. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Tillage next presented the proposed 13/14 Domestic Violence budget for consideration by the Committee advising the department is funded by grants and offender fees with no tax dollars.

Following discussion,

"Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips, to approve the Domestic Violence budget as presented and forward to the Budget Committee. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

DRUG COURT REPORT:

Mary Schneider presented the Drug Court report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner Peay, to approve the Drug Court report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Schneider and Judge David Bragg next presented the proposed Drug Court 13/14 budget for consideration by the Committee advising the State has provided new money this year of \$107,500 up from \$50,000. Ms. Schneider advised she has been told this will be reoccurring. With the increase in money there is a need to increase capacity and the budget includes a new full-time position. The department used to have this position but lost funding so anyone hired will be aware that could happen again. Mayor Burgess advised he had approved the budget subject to the money coming from the State. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Shafer, to approve the Drug Court 13/14 budget as presented and forward the same to the Budget Committee. This motion passed by acclamation."

AMBULANCE SERVICE REPORT:

Mike Nunley presented the Ambulance Service report for the use and information of the Committee. Commissioner Shafer requested information on current ambulance service zones. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Shafer moved, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, to approve the Ambulance Service report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Nunley next presented a proposed budget amendment of \$5,000 increase to Account #118-43120 (Patient Charges) and Account #118-55130-509 (Refunds) to cover overpayments from insurance companies and patients and \$40,000 from Account #118-34730 (Assigned for Public Health & Welfare to Account #118-55130-425 (Gasoline). Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips, to approve the budget amendment of \$5,000 increase to Account #118-43120 (Patient Charges) and Account #118-55130-509 (Refunds) and \$40,000 from Account #118-34730 (Assigned for Public Health & Welfare to Account #118-55130-425 (Gasoline). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Mr. Nunley and Melanie Meshoto presented the Ambulance Service 13/14 budget for consideration by the Committee advising no new positions are added although the call volume has increased 11% each of the last two years and the department will start looking at sites for a new station. Additionally, at some point the quarters in the rear of the SORT building need to be finished. It is anticipated MTMC will give the PACE Center to the Ambulance Service if MTMC can work out the deal with MTSU on the sale. Commissioner Young advised with the change in ambulances they will not be able to house them at the Burton Street station. Mr. Nunley advised the department can remount the box on a new truck and continue to use Burton Street. The department originally changed to this style with this in mind but the

boxes were not as well built and did not work well on new trucks but the boxes have been improved. Mayor Burgess advised those issues will need to be discussed with the Property Management Committee.

Mr. Nunley advised the dispatch equipment is old and not supported by the manufacturer anymore. If it goes down it may require black market parts. Commissioner Young inquired if it could be consolidated with the Sheriff's Office. Mayor Burgess advised there is not enough space to house six more positions but may can provide for with the new construction at the jail. Commissioner Young advised he would like a study for future information.

The Committee was next advised the department would like a boat. LaVergne has a boat they are not using but they won't give it to the County and they wanted too much in trade. Chris Clark advised the Committee he had exhausted efforts applying for grants. Traffic is increasing on the lake with multiple calls. The boat is also needed in the event of a plane crash as the lake is at the end of the Smyrna runway and the boat has become a vital necessity. The department has a 12' inflatable boat they use now. Chairman Farley advised the County has given LaVergne two fire engines over the last few years and the County could use the boat in the LaVergne territory. Mr. Clark advised the boat is outside winterized but the last two times called to use it the boat would not start. Mayor Burgess advised the money in the budget would not be spent until the matter was negotiated further. Commissioner Shafer advised the road to Poole Knob needed to be paved and inquired if the Highway Department could pave or repair the road for the boat. Mayor Burgess advised the Highway Department can only work on County roads. Commissioner J. Phillips inquired if the County had to be on that lake and Mr. Clark advised yes according to the citizens there. It is a Corps of Engineer lake and they do not have the ability to do the work. Commissioner J. Phillips advised boat licenses go to the TWRA. Chairman Farley advised it could be a negligence issue as far as not responding to emergencies. The lake touches Wilson and Davidson Counties in addition to Rutherford and Wilson County responds to Old Hickory Lake. Mayor Burgess advised land in Rutherford County belongs to the individual owners but Rutherford County has the duty to respond. The Committee was advised the Sheriff's Department has a boat on the lake almost every weekend from May to October.

Mr. Nunley advised the Ambulance Department has more than \$3,000,000 in reserve. Mayor Burgess advised it is likely some items will get funded by outside sources. Mayor Burgess advised he is recommending the budget subject to the continuing budget process.

"Commissioner Shafer moved, seconded by Commissioner Peay, to take the Ambulance Service budget under advisement until next month. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Commissioner Stevens requested a copy of command.

JUVENILE DETENTION REPORT:

Lynn Duke presented the Juvenile Detention report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Stevens moved, seconded by Commissioner Young, to approve the Juvenile Detention report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Duke next presented a proposed contract with Wilson County to contract for juvenile detention services. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips, to approve the contract with Wilson County for juvenile

detention services and authorize the County Mayor to sign the same. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Duke next presented a proposed budget amendment of \$200 from Account #101-54240-499 (Other Supplies/Materials) to Account #101-54240-196 (In-Service Training). Following discussion,

"Commissioner Stevens moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips, to approve the budget amendment of \$200 from Account #101-54240-499 (Other Supplies/Materials) to Account #101-54240-196 (In-Service Training). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Ms. Duke next presented the proposed Juvenile Detention 13/14 budget for consideration by the Committee advising it is \$40,000 less than last year. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips, to approve the 13/14 Juvenile Detention budget as presented and forward the same to the Budget Committee. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Joe Russell first presented proposed budget amendments of \$5,750 from Account #54110-719 (Off Equip) to Account #54110-336 (R/M Equip); \$2,500 increase to Account #101-44570 (Contributions) and Account #54110-499 (Other Supplies); \$25,000 from Account #54110-194 (Jury Expense) and \$25,000 from Account #54210-354 (Pris Transport) with \$50,000 to Account #54210-422 (Food/Inmates). Following discussion,

"Commissioner Young moved, seconded by Commissioner Shafer, to approve the budget amendments of \$5,750 from Account #54110-719 (Off Equip) to Account #54110-336 (R/M Equip); \$2,500 increase to Account #101-44570 (Contributions) and Account #54110-499 (Other Supplies); \$25,000 from Account #54110-194 (Jury Expense) and \$25,000 from Account #54210-354 (Pris Transport) with \$50,000 to Account #54210-422 (Food/Inmates). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The Committee was provided the line item report for its use and information. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Young, to accept the line item report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Sheriff Arnold advised he was asking to apply for a Federal Domestic Violence grant as they are at the end of a four year grant. The new grant is for two years with a 25% County match required. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Young, to approve application for a Domestic Violence grant with the County Mayor authorized to sign. This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Commissioner Stevens advised Smyrna recently had an outside study done of the fire department and police department and inquired if the Sheriff was willing to have such a study done. Sheriff Arnold advised he encouraged such a study and ask if the Committee wanted it included in his budget. Commissioner Stevens advised the study has been estimated at \$65,000 by ICMA. Chairman Farley advised he had disagreed with the fire department study. Sheriff Arnold advised CTAS had previously said 52 more employees were needed but he wanted to have his entire department studied. Commissioner Peay ask if the study called for more employees was the Committee willing to fund it

because he did not want to fund a study if it was not going to be implemented. Commissioner Stevens advised cuts would have to be found in other places to make it happen.

"Commissioner Stevens moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Phillips, to endorse the concept of an outside consultant to study the law enforcement side of the Sheriff's Department. This motion failed by roll call vote with Commissioners J. Phillips, T. Phillips and Stevens voting "yes" and Commissioners Peay, Shafer and Farley voting "no"."

Chairman Farley advised as to review of the Sheriff's budget, that last year the Committee had reviewed the budget at the regularly scheduled meeting and a consent agent was used for all other departments. The department head only had to come to the meeting if they had a budget amendment. This would enable the Committee to review the Sheriff's budget without a special called meeting. The Ambulance Service budget will also be reviewed at the April 22 meeting. Department reports will be turned into the County Mayor's Office. The Committee requested a paper copy of the Sheriff's budget be in Commissioner mailboxes before the April 22 meeting.

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Farley declared the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

GARY FARLEY, Chairman